

What I claim is:

1. A mold test kit comprised of:

a) a foldable sheet of paperboard having leafs that can be folded into a multi-ply folder / mailer;

b) at least one paperboard slide perforatedly attached to the paperboard, said slide having a window with a pane that is a relatively tacky adhesive, supported on a clear film;

c) a removable cover slip that covers the window;

d) a reversibly attachable slide mounting zone with a filmic release layer for sending slides having sampled mold to a laboratory for analysis; and

e) printed instructions for use.

2. A mold test kit according to claim 1 further comprising: a low tack adhesive, wherein said low tack adhesive is deposited on the periphery of the at least one paperboard slide and augments the relatively tacky adhesive to adhere the cover slip to the paperboard slide.

3. The mold test kit as claimed in claim 1, wherein said relatively tacky adhesive supported on a clear film is a transparent pressure sensitive adhesive tape having a sufficient width and length to span the paperboard window, thereby providing the pane with the relatively tacky adhesive.

4. The mold test kit as claimed in claim 3, wherein said reversibly attachable slide mounting zone is comprised of: a pressure sensitive adhesive target tape adhered to the foldable sheet of paperboard; a slide mounting adhesive that is a longitudinal coating of pressure sensitive adhesive that is adjacent to an edge of the pressure sensitive adhesive target tape; and a release liner that protectively covers the slide mounting adhesive.

5. A method for using a mailable mold test kit, said method comprising the steps of:

opening the kit and recording on the kit the areas to be sampled for mold, wherein said mailable mold test kit is comprised of paperboard having leafs;

tearing off a slide along the perforations and peeling back / off the cover slide, therein exposing the window of tacky adhesive;

positioning the window over the area being sampled and pressing the window against the sample area, thereby pushing the tacky adhesive against the mold, enabling the adhesive to collect a sample of the mold;

mounting the slide on a slide mounting zone having a release layer, by exposing a portion of slide mounting adhesive that is coated along an edge of the slide mounting zone and protected with a release liner, by peeling back the release liner, and pressing an edge of the slide down, so that the slide is in contact with the slide mounting adhesive;

recording additional sampling data as needed;

repeating the sampling until all the samples are collected; and
folding the leafs into a mailer and mailing the samples to a designated
lab for analysis.

6. A method for using a mailable mold test kit according to claim 5, said method
further comprising the steps of:

receiving the sample at the lab;
removing the slide from the mounting zone, and microscopically
examining the mold;
analyzing all samples for both mold type and quantity;
remounting the paperboard slide on the slide mounting zone with the
mold against the paperboard and storing for further examination if required;
providing the interested parties with the results of the test.